


SUBJECT CONCEALED WEAPONS	POLICY NUMBER 6.01	
POLICY MAINTENANCE ADMINISTRATOR: Director, Florida Highway Patrol		
PURPOSE/SCOPE: To establish department policy regarding carrying concealed weapons by members.		

I. AUTHORITY

[Sections 20.05](#), Florida Statutes, Heads of Departments, Powers and Duties

[Section 20.24](#), Florida Statutes, Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles

[Section 120.52\(15\)](#), Florida Statutes, Administrative Procedures Act, Definitions

[Section 15-1.012](#), Florida Administrative Code, Delegation of Authority

[Section 790.001\(2\) and \(3\)](#), Florida Statutes, Weapons and Firearms

II. DEFINITIONS

- A. Concealed Firearm- Any firearm which is carried about a person in such a manner as to conceal the firearm from the ordinary sight of another person.
- B. Concealed Weapon- Any dirk, metallic knuckles, slungshot, billie, tear gas gun, chemical weapon or device, or other deadly weapon carried on or about a person in such a manner as to conceal the weapon from the ordinary sight of another person.
- C. Sworn Officer- A regular, part-time, or auxiliary law enforcement officer as defined in [Section 943.10\(1\), \(6\) and \(8\)](#), Florida Statutes, Department of Law Enforcement, Definitions.
- D. Volunteer- Any person who provides goods or services to the Department without compensation and who is under the supervision of a department member, as defined in DHSMV Management [Policy 5.18](#), Use of Volunteers.

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III. POLICY

Regardless of whether a member possesses a permit to carry a concealed weapon or firearm, only sworn members are permitted to carry such a weapon or firearm while acting within the course of their employment with the Department. Members of the Florida Highway Patrol Reserve and Auxiliary programs that are also employed by the Department in a compensated position are not permitted to carry a concealed weapon or firearm when fulfilling the duties of the compensated position.